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REMARKS

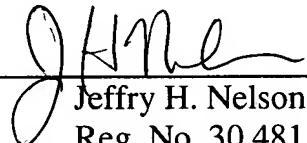
The invention of Group I (claims 1-7 and 24-40) is elected without traverse. Accordingly, claims 18 to 23 have been withdrawn as they are directed to the invention of unelected Group II.

All claims are in good condition for allowance. If any small matter remains outstanding, the Examiner is requested to telephone applicants' attorney. Prompt reconsideration and allowance of this application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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